

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

MACK MASON,

Case No. 3:24-cv-00116-LRH-CLB

Petitioner,

## ORDER

V.

STATE OF NEVADA, et al.,

## Respondents.

Petitioner Mack Mason has submitted a Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus under 28 U.S.C.

10 § 2254. (ECF No. 1-1.) However, Mason has not properly commenced this action by either paying  
11 the standard \$5.00 filing fee or filing a complete application for leave to proceed *in forma pauperis*  
12 (“IFP”). Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1914(a) and the Judicial Conference Schedule of Fees, a \$5.00  
13 filing fee is required to initiate a habeas action in a federal district court. The Court may authorize  
14 an indigent prisoner to begin a habeas action without paying the \$5 fee if he or she submits an IFP  
15 application on the approved form and includes three specific documents: (a) the prisoner’s  
16 financial declaration and acknowledgement showing an inability to prepay fees and costs, (b) a  
17 financial certificate signed by the prisoner and an authorized prison official, and (c) a copy of the  
18 prisoner’s account statement for the six-month period prior to filing. 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a); LSR 1-  
19 1, LSR 1-2. Mason has 45 days from the date of this Order to either pay the \$5 filing fee or file a  
20 complete IFP application.

21       **IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED** that the screening of Petitioner Mack Mason's Petition  
22 for Writ of Habeas Corpus under 28 U.S.C. § 2254 (ECF No. 1-1) is deferred until such time as he  
23 has fully complied with this Order.

1       **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that within 45 days of the date of this Order, Mason must  
2 (1) file an IFP application on the approved form with the three supporting documents listed above,  
3 or (2) pay the \$5 filing fee. Mason's failure to comply with this Order will result in the dismissal  
4 of this action without prejudice and without further advance notice.

5 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Clerk of Court send Mason one blank copy of the  
6 IFP application form for inmates along with instructions.

7 DATED this 19<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2024.

  
LARRY R. HICKS  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT